## Eriogonum lemmonii S. Watson (1877)

## LEMMON BUCKWHEAT

**FAMILY:** *Polygonaceae*, the buckwheat family.

STATUS: Heritage Program WATCH LIST, ranks: G3? S3? USFWS/ESA: none. STATE OF NEVADA: none. BLM: none. USFS: none. NNNPS: none.

**POPULATION CENSUS: 18 occurrences mapped** at 1.0 km (0.6 mi) separation, OR **19 occurrences mapped** at 0.16 km (0.1 mi) separation; total estimated **individuals 8855+**, total estimated **area 4.1+ ha (10.1+ ac)**. **TREND:** unknown.

IMPACTS AND MAJOR THREATS: No summary available (see references).

**INVENTORY EFFORT:** Not yet systematically surveyed. Most recent entered survey 1986, average year of last survey 1981. **Years since last entered survey** (percent of mapped records at various survey ages): **11-20 yrs:** 57.9%; **21-30 yrs:** 42.1%.

**LAND MANAGEMENT** in decreasing predominance: U. S. Bureau of Land Management, private lands, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada state lands.

**RANGE:** Churchill, Lyon, Pershing, Storey, and Washoe counties, Nevada. **Nevada endemic.** Maximum **range dimension 68.3 km (42.5 mi)** excluding most disjunct record. **Type specimen** collected in Washoe County.

**ELEVATIONS RECORDED:** 4200-5400 feet (1280-1646 meters).

**HABITAT:** Open, light-colored, sometimes silty or sandy, sometimes gypsiferous shrink-swell clay soils on bluffs and badlands derived from fluviolacustrine silt and volcanic ash deposits in the shadscale zone.

PHENOLOGY: flowering late-spring. Range of most frequent survey months: May-June.

LIFE-FORM AND HABIT: annual.

**DESCRIPTION:** An erect annual averaging 2.3 dm high with a basal rosette of leaves and tiny, pink, red or yellow flowers in May and June.

PHOTOGRAPHS: none known.

**ILLUSTRATIONS:** Mozingo and Williams (1980).

OTHER GENERAL REFERENCES (listed separately): Reveal (1985).

**SPECIFIC REFERENCES:** 

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